WAKA-HI-LITES

SENIOR EDITION

1945

WAKARUSA HIGH SCHOOL

WAKARUSA, INDIANA

WE THE CLASS OF 1945

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"GRADUATION HAS A MEANING"

As a member of the class of 1945, I would like to tell you if I could all that it means to me and many other seniors like me all over the United States to graduate from High School. However, this is impossible and I can only say that to me it means that we have taken a course of study that should have prepared us to become the citizens of tomorrow. We are about to enter the occupations and professions that we have dreamed of and wherever we live or whatever capacity we serve in, we can enjoy and live a better life due to what we have attained in school.

With the turmoil the world is in today we realize and appreciate more the fact that we live in a country that is democratic, where we can go to school and receive an education. An education enables us to help preserve what the boys in the services are fighting for--the American way of living under the Four Freedoms: freedom of religion, freedom of expression, freedom from want, and freedom from fear.

Also, by going to High School we learn to co-operate with others and we have a feeling of unity.

At this time I would urge everyone that has the chance, to get an education. I would also like to wish every classmate the very best of luck throughout their lives.

To the staff and our advisor, Mrs. Brunson, goes the biggest "Thank You" that anyone could give and I say it with sincerity.

Norma Lotherman
Editor-in-Chief.

THE PURPOSE OF

The purpose of this book is to depict the Senior year of the 1945 class of Wakarusa, in the hope that it may help to keep alive glowing memories of a happy high school life.

It has been the policy of our school to develop strong minds and healthy bodies, and to keep in mind the thought that character is above the sceptered sway. Realizing that all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, our school has kept open the avenues already created and hewn new pathways to other lands of play and recreation.

We have much faith in the old song "Work for the Night Is Coming," and thus have kept work in mind.

AND OF

OUR BOOK

Our associations together are symbolic of the poem

"I live for those who love me
Whose hearts are kind and true
For the heaven that smiles above me
And awakes my spirits too."

So it is our desire to labor, learn, play, and live in such a way that we may be able to say:

"I have fought a good fight
I have kept the faith
I have finished the course."

From now on I shall reap the reward, and be happily situated.

----For in my school days I learned to Live, to Labor, and to Play.

OUR SCHOOL

DEDICATION

We, the Senior Class of 1945 take great pleasure in dedicating this "Senior Edition" to our sponsor, Mr. Bowers. He has guided us through three years of high school and we feel that he is one of us. We also wish him the best of everything through the years to come.

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SENIORS

OUR MOTTO

"FRIENDSHIP, NOTHING BETTER"

CLASS COLORS-------Blue and Brown
CLASS FLOWER-------White Rose

SPONSOR-Mr. Bowers

PRES.—BENDELL ERY

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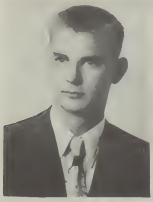
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MARY ALICE LONG

CLAIR HOOVER

LENA SMELTZER

NORMA KEMBLE

LLOYD SEARER

DORIS ALBIN

HAROLD BREWNEMAN

RICHARD STECKEL

BETTY SAILOR

CLASS HISTORY

One bright morning in the fall of 1941 when the sky seemed perfect for flying, we started out on our four year flight towards our destination, graduation. The pilot of our green airplane was Wendell Eby with Junior Horn as co-pilot. Our navigator, Phyllis Weaver kept record of our journey assisted by Nilah Penney who kept track of the expenses. There were fifty-one passengers aboard. Miss Yoder and Mr. Smith accompanied us on our first year of flight.

Due to our Biology course we were forced down at Chicago and visited the Field Museum, Shedd Aquarium, and the Brookfield Zoo.

We continued on our way but made two other stops for parties. One was a semi-truck ride and the other was a Sadie Hawkins Day party which we all enjoyed.

In the second year of our flight we decided to have light blue and brown as the color of our airplane. We painted the picture of a white rose on the nose of our plane and named our plane "Friendship; nothing better."

This year we had as pilot--Wendell Eby, Co-pilot--John Nunemaker, and Navigator--Norma Letherman. Four of our passengers bailed our which left us forty-eight passengers. Mr. Yost and Mr. Bowers accompanied us this year.

We were grounded by Mt. Latin and Mt. Geometry and initiated the freshies with a party. We also had two other parties on our way.

Another summer passed and forty-eight passengers continued on through the clouds as Juniors. We had as Pilot--Wendell Eby, Co-pilot--Norma Madlem, Navigator--Norma Letherman, assisted by Marilyn Moyer. Mr. Bowers stayed with us for the remainder of our journey.

We had trouble with our engine and landed to have it repaired. While we were grounded we had time for our extra activities. The play "That Crazy Smith Family" was presented. We were allowed two parties as usual and the Seniors gave us a farewell party. Our big night was the Junior-Senior banquet which was held at the LaSalle Hotel and thus we came to the end of our year's course.

We took off in September 1944. Our crew proved themselves efficient so we re-elected them. We also have thirty-six other passengers aboard.

During the summer we were saddened deeply by the death of one of our passengers, Richard Lantz.

We are drawing near our destination and about to complete the final year of our flight.

This year we gave the play, "The Green Ghost". Although we encountered many difficulties in Chemistry, we took a day of fun to dress and act like kids.

We had three stops to refuel our social life with parties, one in which we entertained the Juniors.

On April 6 the Seniors were given a banquet by the Juniors at the LaSalle Hotel.

Thus we have reached our destination, Graduation, and feel that we are prepared to start out in our own planes from the knowledge we have gained.

Annabelle Housour

Norma Letherman

PERSONALITY

NAME	NICK NAME	FAVORITE SONG
1. Doris Albin	Doris	Always
2. Mary Anglemyer	Mary	Moonlight and Rosses
3. Margaret Bechtel	Margaret	My God And I
4. Gerald Blosser	"Jerry"	Don't Sweetheart Me
5. Helen Bolen	Bolen	Bells of St. Mary
6. Harold Brenneman	"Brenny"	Leave The Dishes In The Sink
7. Phyllis Buzzard	"Buzz"	I'm A Little On The Lonely Side
8. Robert Chokey	"Bob"	It Had To Be You
9. Richard Doering	"Dick"	Cocktails For Two
10. Mary Dubbs	Mary	Always
11. Wendell Eby	"Weddel"	In The Mood
12. Keith Fredericks	"Bing"	Rum and Coco Cola
13. Lois Gongwer	Lois	The Very Thought Of You
14. Lois Grove	Lois	Moonlight And Roses
15. Wanda Hall	"Cutie"	Always
16. Clair Hoover	"Buck"	Blue Skies
17. Junior Horn	"Junior"	Journey To A Star
18. Annabelle Housour	"Ann"	Journey To A Star
19. Carol Hunsberger	"Huns"	Stardust
20. Charles Husband	"Chuck"	One Meat Ball

CHART

FAVORITE PAST TIME	WHAT NOTED FOR	PET PEEVE
1. Reading	"Nigger" Mammy	Getting Up
2. Reading	Dignity	Writing Letters
3. Sewing	Quietness	Making Mistakes
4. Sleeping	His walk	Milking cows
5. Day Dreaming	Yell leader	Being idle
6. Work	Stubborness	Chemistry
7. Writing Letters	Height	Milking cows
8. Eating	Captain of B.B. team	Sleeping
9. Sleeping	"Yahoodie"	Going with Girls
10. Taking care of Children	Comical Smile	Writing Letters
11. Sleeping	" Franklin "	His old car
12. Working at Store	Basketball	Sleeping
13. Playing Piano	Giggles	Milking cows
14. Writing Letters	Dreaming	Giving Speeches
15. Reading	Diamond ring	Being called "cutie"
16. Sports	Frank Sinatra	Hill Billy Music
17. Washing my car	Fancy hair-do	Gas Rationing
18. Sports	Tomboy	Domestic Work
19. Writing Letters	Jealousy	Cow-Boy Music
20. Sports	Out of town "babes"	Sleeping

PERSONALITY

NAME	NICK NAME	FAVORITE SONG
21. Norma Kemble	Norma	Always
22. Norma Letherman	"Slim"	You Always Hurt The One You Love
23. Mary Alice Long	Mary Alice	Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart
24. Elizabeth Lutey	Betty	Don't Fence Me In
25. Norma Madlem	"Jeanie"	Together
26. Doris Miller	Doris	Dreaming
27. Jack Moore	"Jackson"	Dark Town Strutters Ball
28. Marilyn Moyer	"Shortie"	Magic Is The Moonlight
29. Fay Myers	Fay	Always
30. Nilah Penney	"Ni"	Stardust
31. Esther Pletcher	"Essy"	Always
32. Betty Sailor	"Bette"	My Dreams Are Getting Better All The Time
33. Mary Schrock	"Schrockie"	We'll Meet Again
34. Lloyd Sear	"Nick"	Blue Danube
35. Kermit Shank	"Kermy"	I'm Beginning To See The Light
36. Lena Smeltzer	"Alka"	I'll Walk Alone
37. Richard Stickle	"Dick"	Since You Went Away
38. Joy Stiver	Joy	Stars of the Summer Night
39. Phyllis Weaver	"Phil"	Indian Love Call
40. Miriam Yoder	"Minnie"	Sweet Dreams, Sweetheart

CHART

FAVORITE PAST TIME	WHAT NOTED FOR	PET PEEVE
21. Reading	poetry	chemistry
22. Reading my diary	Senior Edition Editor	milking cows
23. Reading	smiling	cleaning eggs
24. Anything	rocking the cradle	getting up in the morning
25. Driving the car	kindness	getting up
26. Reading	singing	going to bed early
27. playing drum		dishes
28. Writing Letters	short and sweet	staying home
29. Go to B. B. Games	diamond ring	getting up
30. Sleeping	temper	getting up
31. Dreaming of Bob	diamond ring	chemistry
32. Reading	red-headed Veronica Lake	working
33. Playing piano	her expressions	killing chickens
34. Bookkeeping	Professor???	fishing
35. Sleeping	"Johnnie on the spot"	teachers
36. Reading	talking	chemistry
37. Chemistry	taking over	women
38. Reading	brains	making speeches
39. Writing Letters	peaches and cream complexion	eating liver
40. Reading	talking	oatmeal

CHARACTERS OF "45"

Clair Hoover	MOST FRIENDLY	Norma Madlem
Dick Doering	MOST FORGETFUL	Lona Smeltzer
Wendell Eby	MOST INTELLIGENT	Joy Stiver
Jack Moore	MOST EASY GOING	Phyllis Buzzard
Gerald Blosser	MOST GENEROUS	Lois Groves
Lloyd Searer	MOST DIGNIFIED	Mary Anglemyer
Junior Horn	BEST SCHOOL SPIRIT	Helen Bolen
Bob Chokey	MOST ATHLETIC	Annabelle Housour
Wendell Eby	MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEES	Helen Bolen
Junior Horn	MOST POPULAR	Helen Bolen
Dick Doering	MOST UNCONCERNED	Retto Luley
Kermit Shank	CLASS COUPLE	Norma Letherman
Clair Hoover	SHORTEST	Marilyn Moyer
Junior Horn	PRETTIEST HAIR	Phyllis Weaver
Dick Doering	TALKATIVE	Lona Smeltzer
Clair Hoover	MOST DEPENDAPLE	Esther Pletcher
Charles Husband	MOST OBLIGING	Lois Groves
Jack Moore	MOST SOCIABLE	Norma Madlem
Lloyd Searer	TALLEST	Doris Miller
Kermit Shank	CUTEST	Phyllis Weaver
Charles Husband	QUIETIST	Margaret Bechtal
Dick Doering	LOUDEST	Phyllis Buzzard
Junior Horn	BEST DRESSED	Carol Hunsberger

SENIOR PLAY

THE GREEN GHOST

Caroline Van West. . . . . Helen Bolen
head of the family
Dora Van West. . . . . .Norma Kemble
an ex show-girl
Reggie Van West . . . . . .Kermit Shank
her cousin
Mrs. Parker . . . . . Joy Stiver
another cousin
Janice Parker . . . . . Marilyn Moyer
her young daughter
Carol Parker . . . . . Phyllis Weaver
Janice's older sister
Eric Van West. . . . . Junior Horn
her nephew
Ah Lee . . . . . .Clair Hoover
a chinese butler
Magnolia . . . . . Doris Albin
her colored maid
Dr. Barr . . . . . Lloyd Searer
her physician
Lieutenant Craig . . . . . Wendell Eby
of the police
Detective-Sergeant Fitz. . . . . Jack Moore
his assistant

Caroline Van West, a tyrannical spinster in her seventies, invites all her living relatives to the Van West mansion to help her make her will. Caroline and her two servants, Ah Lee and Magnolia have lived alone for years in the old house, which is thought to be haunted. No sooner are the guests all assembled than the Van West pearls are stolen! Lieutenant Craig and his comic partner, Sergeant Fitz arrive on the scene and solve the mystery. Running through the play was the tender love story of Carol and Eric, with a happy ending. It proved a fascinating mystery to watch and a barrel of fun to produce.

THAT CRAZY SMITH FAMILY

JUNIOR PLAY

Ma Smith. . . . . Joy Stiver
boss of the family
Pa Smith. . . . . .CIAir Hoover
a newspaper publisher
Tony Smith. . . . . Wendell Eby
sensational football player son
Betty Smith. . . . . .Marilyn Moyer
14 year old daughter
Buddie Smith. . . . . .Kermit Shank
12 year old potential pugilist
Sally Smith . . . . . Helen Bolen
"arty" 17 year old sister
Aunt Bella . . . . . .Norma Kemble
Ma's plain-spoken sister
Barbara Wetherby. . . . . .Mary Anglemyer
home town girl in love with Tony
Professor Slattery. . . . . .Lloyd Searer
absent minded--in love with Aunt Bella
Dick Jones . . . . . Junior Horn
good-looking Southern boy
Stewart Brandon. . . . . .Richard Stickle
rich playboy
Julie Weston . . . . . Nilah Penney
sophisticated vamp

The Smith family is a typical American family. Ma, pa and t the kids all have their difficulties. Ma and pa worry about the kids, Betty and Buddie worry about being caught. Tony and Sally worry about their love affairs. Aunt Bella worries about the professor forgetting something. But in the end everybody's at least partly sane. There were a lot of laughs and thrills, in this fast moving comedy, and was enjoyed to the fullest extent.

CLASS WILL

We the class of "45" of Wakarusa High School, County of Elkhart and State of Indiana being of sound mind and memory hereby make, publish, and declare this our last will and testament. We are very down cast and solemn of this being our last days together in this sanctum of knowledge.

We hereby on this 19th day of April, bestow all property real and personal as follows.

ARTICLE I

To the school, we bequeath a radar-television combination which will enable the teachers to track down any lost articles such as books, pencils, erasers, jewelry, paper wads and lost and tardy students.

We also bequeath a new bulletin board which will flash through a loud speaking system the latest bulletins and eliminate congestion in the hall between classes.

ARTICLES II

To the Junior Class we bequeath all odors, test tubes, bunsen burners, magnesium ribbon, sulphuric acid, lead and zinc trees, safety and unsafety matches, cobalt glass, and our nearly unused laboratory manuals.

ARTICLES III

To the janitor and his helpers we bequeath all the love and affection that we ever had in us.

ARTICLES IV

To Mr. Gerber, we bequeath a pnuematic pipe system connected to the office from each room which will enable the teachers to send in their attendance records and notices.

To Mr. Rohrer, we bequeath rudders, elevators, aerilons, aluminum, and a fuselage to which can be attached the 5 cylinder motor which takes up a corner in the manual training room.

To Mr. Joyn Holdeman, we bequeath the chemicals from which he can make aspirins to cure the headaches which the Senior class so rudely caused him.

To Mr. Eaton, we bequeath some vitamin tablets which contain vitamins A,B,C,D,E,F,G,H,I,J, M1,M2,M3 and T which should bring coach, team and vitamin pills all down to the state.

To the Seniors of next year, we bequeath the fatherly love of our beloved sponsor, Mr. Bowers.

To Mrs. Brunson, we bequeath an asbestos jacket equipped with a heating unit, air conditioned and freezing unit all automatically controlled.

To Miss Cox, we bequeath $2.02 which will enable her to build a museum in which to house her collections of bird nests, snakes, round worms, frog legs, fish, eggs, plant and body lice, leaves, mice and bats.

To Miss Housour, we bequeath all our red points and tokens that can be used to help overcome the meat situation in the cafeteria and also an electric dishwasher so that her pupils may always get to their next classes on time.

To Mrs. Houck, we bequeath several baby grand pianos and a solovox which will enable her to play a song without striking any sour notes.

To Mrs. Lehman, we bequeath the statues of several Roman Gods to give her inspiration in teaching the latin classes.

To Mr. Warble, we bequeath a movable band stand with built in music stands plus a luminous wand.

ARTICLE V

I, Doris Albin bequeath my Daisy Mae lingo and actions to Walter Horn.

I, Mary Anglemyer bequeath my desire to be a secretary to a handsome business man to Norma Jane Metzler.

I, Margaret Bechtel bequeath my quiet and meek manners to Geraldine Buzzard.

I, Gerald Blosser bequeath my yellow and black suspenders to anyone who has trouble keeping his trousers up.

I, Helen Bolen bequeath my school spirit, ear rings, necklaces, strawberry blonde hair and my ability of getting out of classes to my kid sister.

I, Harold Brenneman bequeath my ability and love to design air planes in all of my classes to Harold Lutey providing he doisn't try to fly them.

I, Phyllis Buzzard bequeath my yellow streak which abounds in my silk like hair to Laurabelle Eby who used to sport a Veronica Lake Hair do.

I, Robert Chokey bequeath my ability to attract and hold on to one girl to Bob Frash providing he finds one.

I, Richard Doering bequeath my intense interest in chemistry, the art of throwing cofks and my guiltless looks to Joyce Moyer.

I, Mary Dubbs bequeath my ability of making tailer tacks, putting on collars, sewing in gathers and fixing broken down sewing machines to Maribelle Letherman.

I, Wendell Eby bequeath my affection for a junior girl to Marion Overholser my Franklin to The scrap drive in case of an emergency and my ability of playing my accordian to anyone who can squeeze it like I can.

I, Lois Gongwer bequeath my weak ankles to Lois Stickle and my jitters to Doris Bechtel.

I, Lois Grove bequeath my liking for the quieter things of life and staying out of trouble to Richard Anthony.

I, Clair Hoover bequeath my knowledge of chemistry, my Grank Sinatra voice and my crippled up sports articles to Charles Long.

I, Junior Horn bequeath my shining black wavy hair to Paul Mast, my broad shoulders to Denneth Pletcher, and my basketball cleverness to Lowell Fink.

I, Annabelle Housour bequeath my position as GAA president to Loreen Davidhizer, and my everready dependable Whippet to Richard Shaffer.

I, Carol Hunsberger bequeath my sweet juicy and delightful giggles to Stanley Kehr.

I, Charles Husband bequeath my ability of handling school, job and a girl at the same time to Herbert Weaver who can handle each but not at the same time.

I, Jack Moore bequeath my matches, drum sticks, and my love for red hot music to Kenneth Miller providing he doesn't burn up.

I, Doris Miller bequeath my towering height to Lucille Flickinger and my detailed answers to Claude Reynolds.

I, Lloyd Searer bequeath my knowledge of wine, women, and song to James Holdeman and my analysis of politics to be recorded and bound and placed in the school library.

We, Mary Alice Long, Miriam Yoder, and Mary Schrock bequeath our ability of doing office work such as reading Mr. Gerber's scribbling, typing letters and bulletins, running after teachers and answering the telephone to anyone who won't get nervous prostrations.

We, Esther Pletcher, Wanda Hall, and Fay Myers bequeath our love for diamonds to any girl who wants to go through the effort, strain, fuss, trouble, pains and struggle of getting one.

I, Lena Smeltzer bequeath my ability to look sleepy and gaze into space to Bobby Leonard.

I, Norma Letherman bequeath my serious affection for the opposite sex, and my nicknames to Betty Hygema.

I, Norma Madlem bequeath my personality, popularity, and sincerity to Maxine Weaver, my smiles to Maynard Weaver.

I, Marilyn Moyer bequeath my position of being the shortest girl in the senior class; my interpretation of the navy song "Anchors Aweigh" to Fern Esenwein.

I, Nilah Penney bequeath my position of being a "one man girl" to Betty Housour, my ability to argue with a boy and still make love, to Evelyn Hunsberger.

I, Betty Sailor bequeath my flaming red hair and freckles to the song writer who wrote the song "I don't want to set the world on fire"; my ability to make free throws to Dora Holmes.

I, Richard Stickel bequeath my position of being the only tall, dark and handsome senior of our class to Virgil Davidhizer.

I, Phyllis Weaver bequeath my radiant blue eyes and my paratrooper badge to anyone who can spend hours scanning the sky for signs of a man in a parachute.

I, Betty Lutey bequeath my interest in typing letters to Virginia Lantz, my love for the song "Just Bob Bobbing Along." to anyone who cares to bob along with a Bob.

I, Kermit Shank bequeath my ability to be on the baseball, basketball, and track team and get mixed up in most of the pranks, and still be on the good side of the teachers, to Delbert BeMiller.

I, Keith Fredericks bequeath my neat butch hair cut to Mike Anthony, my wit to John Hartman, my hatred for women, to Ralph Musser.

We, Norma Kenble and Joy Stiver bequeath our ability to sing duets of any sort to Charles Leinhart and Max Myers provided that they practice before trying to sing before a crowd.

Witness: Miss Billman, Mrs. Loucks, and Mr. Shriener.

Mary Schrock

Clair Hoover

ON GRADUATION

Four long years of High School labor,
Long, but oh so short they've been,
Now have come up to a climax
And our school-days to an end.

In a world of strife and trouble
We would be the ones who win;
Be the one's who work and prosper
When the "School of Life" begins.

Send us forth, O Alma Mater,
Strong in body, mind, and soul;
Each one striving for the highest,
Each one working for his goal.

As we go into the battle,
With man's obstacles the foe;
Send us forth to meet it calmly
Let us then with courage--go!

Send us forth with great achievement
And the future in our mind:
May God give us all the power
"To serve, to seek, to strive, to find."

By Norma Kemble

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CLASS PROPHECY

Norma Kemble who is a former graduate of Moody Bible Institute is assisting her husband, the Rev. Charles Husband, in the Mission field at the Ball Band Rubber Works, where Rev. Husband received the inspiration to become a minister.

Elizabeth Lutey, better known to intimate friends as "Betty" has at last reported to have become the happy and industrious housewife of Robert Kehr. Betty intended to be a career woman.

Kermit Shank is a returned air hero and has married his childhood sweetheart, Norma Letherman who has become a famous "Power's Model". He has decided that farming is more restful than flying and is relaxing from his exploits in the air.

Doris Albin is united in holy matrimony with Richard Stickle whose ambition to be a research chemist has at last "boomeranged" and he is now a bell hop at Hotel Elkhart.

Nilah Penney, at present, is touring the country giving recitals where the full clarity and loveliness of a soprano voice can be appreciated. Assisting her on her many intineraries is Jack Moore.

Mary Schrock's desire to be a music teacher has developed so that her internationally famous, bird-like voice may be heard throughout the world and Hollywood gossip hints that she is getting married to Richard Doering, whose mellow voice may be heard over broadcasts advertising motor oil.

Carol Dunsberger is happy to have her parents announce her betrothal to Richard Wenger. It shocked everyone that Carol's charm would so over whelm a man that his bachelor dreams could never be realized.

Mary Dubbs surprised everyone greatly by marrying the glamor-boy of the class, Junior Horn. Junior, an active C. I. O. Labor Leader has discovered that Mary's calm attitude helps in handling the dissenting union members.

Betty Sailor has finally gotten discouraged over the idea of becoming a second Veronica Lake and has become famous in the Field of Athletics. As National President of the C. A. A. Miss Sailor left for Spain this morning to attend the Olympic Games.
Word has just been received that Lloyd Scarer and Harold Bronneman have gone to the North Pole and are busy catching seals so they can lavish fur coats on their girls, when they pick our their "one and only."

Fay Myers apparently thinks her home town can't quite satisfy her wishes. Anyway, the last report was that she married an Elkhart youth. Lonnie Willis and is employed with her husband at Miles Laboratories, making pills for nervous indigestion, etc.

Joy Stiver is married to a young minister from Wheaton College where they both graduated. Joy is doing missionary work by extending credit to the needy in South Africa for groceries from her father's store.

Mary Anglemyer, typist and proof reader for the "Advice to the Lovelorn" newspaper, resigned when the position of assistant Sec. to Mrs. Roosevelt was offered her, for the purpose of keeping track of her excursion to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Norma Madlem has settled down to married life in earnest since her marriage vowels were exchanged with Keith Fredericks. The Fredericks grocery store proved to be helpful in starting them housekeeping.

Lois Gongwer and Lena Smeltzer unable to decide what they wanted to do or be, with the advice of a famous fortune teller, have cast all thoughts of boys aside and have established the "Come have your wounds healed animal hospital"in Nappanee.

Wanda Hall, waitress at the "Everything for Nothing" restaurant owned by Wilbur Weaver, ahs been sued by the OPA for selling "bananaless and peanutless" "banana splits."

Wendell Eby now owns a large chain of garages stationed on lonely country roads and in churchyards throughout the nation to aid young couples when

their cars stall.

Gerald Blosser after judging women for their likenesses and differences found that the quiet, appreciable nature of Margaret Bechtel was some thing not to be over-looked. Gerald and Margaret are both known for their ability in giving fine lectures and many public appearances.

Clair Hoover has given up exploring and is married to Annabelle Houseur, famous for playing "Maizie" parts on the screen. Clair has decided to live up to his favorite song "Don't Fence Me In" by purchasing a large cattle ranch out West, where he and Annabelle plan to raise cattle.

Lois Grove, world's most ardent flower lover is kept busy 23 hours a day making corsages for brides of grooms who are unable to provede this luxury for them.

Miriam Yoder, Doris Miller, and Mary Alice Long were seen with their husbands at a lecture given by Margaret Bechtel on "How to Prevent Family Quarrels." Marilyn Moyer conductor of the ever-popular orchestra known as "The Dixie Swingsters" will be one of the outstanding features presented on the opening nite at the Wakarusa Community Ball Room, managed by returned Ensign Kenney Mattern of Nappanee.

Esther Platcher and Phyllis Weaver's school dreams were realized at last, when Bob McGowen and Dale Reynolds returned from overseas and a double wedding took place. They have just arrived by plane after a two-years honeymoon at Niagara Falls.

Phyllis Buzzard was disappointed when her boy friend, Bill Elliot did not prove true and Phyllis resigned to become an old maid. She has not, however, lost faith and is supervisor in an Old Bachelor's home.

Helen Bolen is a private nurse in the home of Robert Chokey who is recovering from wounds received in a brawl over Helen's affections.

Norma Madlem

Lloyd Searer

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

1--Back to school-surrounded by green lookin' freshies, a mad rush for the locker rooms and where is "that" room?? P.S.... Ain't the desks shiney?!?

5--First day of school, more fun! Seniors find our that chemistry is a required subject. Teachers let the monkeys out at 2 o'-clock nice aren't they?

7--Seniors meet and find out that Bowers is again their sponsor, also election of officers. Same as last year. Tch! Tch! '44-45 staff meets and makes plans for first issue of Waka-Hi-Lites--just can't wait to read snoopin.

19--Good ole'Wendell and his Franklin! They took a load of girls to see a baseball game at Concord. Popular, ain't he???

22--The dirt's out and so is the news. It's really something, that first issue of the Hi-Lite

SEPTEMBER

25--Why all the headaches? Couldn't be 'cause there was a Chemistry test---or could it?

29--What fun! Annabelle loaded up a group of seniors and took them on a hay-ride--at night of course, and they had a weiner roast.

OCTOBER

5--Senior pictures were taken today. The fellas look "keen" in their best bib and tucker. It happens once in a lifetime.

13--Seniors beat underclassmen in a game of baseball.

17--What's all the noise? Band must be practicing for the Halloween parade. Those freshies have finally gotten on the beam.

19--Ouch! Report cards today. Seniors receive proofs-we could say something!!Cheerleaders chosen and from the looks of our team, we should go places.

OCTOBER

20--Such is life--Seniors pick out name cards and announcements..

26--School dismisses 'til Monday because of Teacher's Institute.

NOVEMBER

1--First basket ball game of the season--No Luck! Waky 26; Middlebury 27. Some of the players have disposed of a little (?) of their hair. . . anyway, some of the "butches" are becoming and others. . . . well!!

3--Seniors choose caps and gowns... We noticed quite a few romances Must be a fad! Time will tell.

9--Seniors present first performance of "The Green Ghost."

10--Hot dogs! We promised to be good so everybody got out of school this morning--Bang! Bang! Got another rabbit.

11--Second night of " The Green Ghost. Seniors did a swell job and it was a success-----they thought!

15--Our sweet juniors received a class penant. Its really super, and the Seniors looked jealous--could be!

16--Juniors working like mad to get magazine subscriptions... Faculty have a pot luck at Gerber's house.

17--Yippee! Everybody saw Gene Autry in "Melody Trails"--wonder how we deserved that??

21--Library Club had a program sponsored by Eatons Eaters Place--It was purely fictitious!!

29--Senior girls give boys a party. They had to, after losing a contest of selling tickets. Generous goils, ain't they?

30--4H sponsors a Roller Skating party. 113 attended and you should have seen Mr. Gerber skate--is he good?!/?

DECEMBER

1--Juniors contest is over. Seniors asked how they want their names written on their diplomas. Well-----we ain't fussy--just so the diplomas are signed.

7--REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR------Some of the senior girls were their dads shirts today. Tails out of course and sizes too too large. Teachers didn't like it which is nothing new.

8--These kids! Just because of shirt tails and coveralls a group of students left school. They came back tho' as nobody can stay away from school!!

11--Seniors receive graduation pictures----from their expression its hard to tell whether they're satisfied or not.

14--We wonder what the freshmen class would do with out Miss Cox. Joy Stiver wins D.A.R. award.

21--What a pep session! It was a different kind and no wonder! Mr. Eaton led some yells----Wow!!!

22--School dismisses for the holidays--Merry Christmas everyone---and best wishes for a Happy New Year.

JANUARY

2--Back to school. Are we all keepin' those resolutions??? Wanda Hall is wearing somethin' that sparkles on her third finger, left hand. Really party!

11--Individual pictures taken of entire student body. Juniors, and Seniors have choice of economics or sociology.

12--Boy, did it snow and drift. A couple busses could not get through so the rest of we students couldn't study-as if we ever do!

16--Senior staff meets and made plans for this swell(?)senior edition.

17--County tourney. Waky beat Millers.

19--Juniors receive class rings---and Seniors are informed that they are doing "too much aimless running around"--Tch!Tch!

20--Concord won! Our boys put up a tough fight but odds were against them!

FEBRUARY

2--Mr. Ground-Hog didn't have any trouble seeing his shadow today. Ugh!Seniors had a semester party.

5--Esther Pletcher is wearing a very pretty diamond ring--congratulations Esther!

9--Colly, I wish I could spell!! The teachers gave us all a general spelling test and it was catchie.

14--"Pot of Cold" was shown in the gym and also a comic strip wish it were darker in the gym ---Couldn't see the picture.

22--Big pep session to "inspire" the team and fans for the tourney. Sorry!Elkhart just played a little(?) better---Indians put up a swell fight anyway.

28--Were fun! Pictures were taken for the Senior Edition-some kids had on band uniforms--, track suits, and so forth. Got out of class too!!

MARCH

1--Congratulations to the team,to Mr. Eaton and to the fans for a swell showing in the basketball season. The Indians really--"stayed in there and pitched." Nice goin' fella's. And, congratulations to a swell coach, Mr. Eaton, and to a fine bunch of co-operative kids--the Cheering section.

2--Freshman girls beat seniors by one point--to bad!

8--Seniors have "Kids Day"--a bunch of first graders don't act that bad. It was really fun!

16--Dick and Wendell went for their physicals--both passed.

22--Seniors have a business meeting and Eby Auto Sales gives each dignified(?)senior a Graduation Record book.

23--Spring is here! Juniors present "Almost 18"--new staff puts out an Easter issue of Hi-Lites----Congratulations!

24--Second performance of "Almost 18" that junior class has lots of talent and the play was a success!!

25--4-H sponsors another Roller skating party. His Cox sang a few numbers "Just like Dinah Shore"----Oh Yeah!

26--Lions entertain Basketball boys with a banquet. Bob and Junior get awards--swell goin' fella's ---you deserved it!!!

APRIL

6--Its here at last--Junior-Senior Banquet! Big food--thanks Juniors, for the swell sending off.

10--Band concert presented by Wakarusa band. Very good and the uniforms looked all neat!

13--Speech class presents "Little Women". They did swell, considering that the characters were all girls---and Seniors at that.

15--Baccalaureate. Reverend Lee Cory is our speaker. And this graduating business begins to take on a very serious aspect.

17--Seniors give assemble -----super --after all we've been in school 12 years(?)and should be able to put forward our best(?)foot.

19--Class Day! Seniors willed and prophecied their knowledge and belongings to the poor kids who come back next year.

21--COMMENCEMENT!! This is OUR night! Chaplin Wenger is the speaker.

As we, the class of '45 make our last exit we find it rather hard to leave 'ole W.H.S. To the class of '46 we extend our sincere wishes for good luck!!!

Helen Bolen.

JUNIORS

President-Nancy Christner
Vice President-Chuck Lienhart
Secretary & Treasurer-Fern Esenwein
Sargent of Arms-Max Myers
Sponsor-Mr. Rohrer

First Row-Loreen Davidhizer, Fern Esenwein, Marjorie Holdeman, Kathryn Pletcher. Second Row-Glen Stickel, Erma Stickle, Erma Mumaw, Ruth Kehr, Wayne Doering. Third Row-Walter Horn, Faye Eshleman, Peggy Eicher, Richard Canan Maxine Weaver, Gaynell Stewart, Dick Schaffer. Fourth Row-Max Myers, Joan Culp, Bertha Bixler, Dean Cripe. Fifth Row-Lowell Tschupp, Ronnie Webb, Maynard Weaver, Pauline Stickel, Herbert Mausf, Lucille Flickinger, Carl Gongwer. Sixth Row-Laurabelle Eby, Mike Anthony, Marilyn Grove, Marion Overholser, Nancy Christner, Charles Long, Patricia Rohrer. Seventh Row-Garna Lee Enders, Paul Mast, Elaine Hartman, Harold Lutey, Mary Ellen Reynolds Robert Bemiller, Shirley Gall.

Betty Hygema, Charles Lienhart, Delores Secor were absent when the pictures were taken.

BACCALAUREATE

Prelude

Hymn. . . . . ."Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty" . . .Congregation

Special Music

Scripture Reading . . . . . .Rev. Paul Steiner

Prayer . . . . . Rev. Gordon Kemble

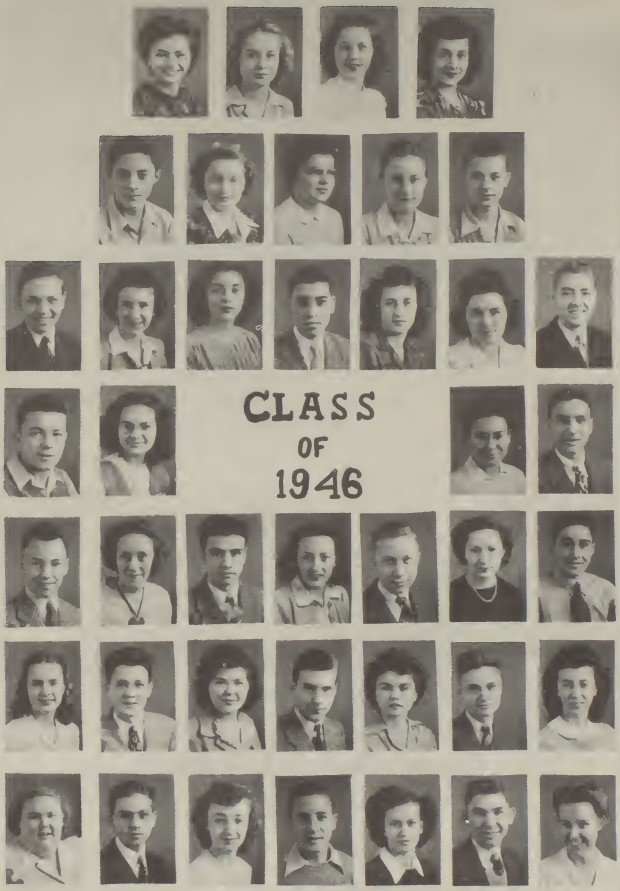
Special Music

Sermon. . . . . "Be Strong and Show Yourself a Man" . . . Rev. Lee R. Cory

Special Music

Doxology Congregation

Benediction . . . . . .Rev. R. Edwin Green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SOPHOMORES

President, Kenny Miller
Vice President, Jim Holdeman
Sec. & Treas., Norma Jane Metzler
Sgt. of Arms, Claude Reynolds

First row-Esther Hall, June Myers, Ralph Musser Betty Clark, Joan Kemble, James Holdeman, Virginia Lantz. Second row-Dick Anthony, Carl Hunsberger, Ruth Shaum, Doris Pachtel, Billy Weaver, Jane Parcell Don Christophel. Third row-Dorothy Fredericks, Geraldine Stryckar, Max Trucx, Evelyn Davidhizer, Trumanette Bolen, Ramon Pfieffer, Geraldine Buzzard, Forth row-Norma Jane Metzler Kenneth Miller, Lois Stickel, Paul Weaver, Herbert Weaver, Esther Hoover Virgil Davidhizer. Fifth row- Evelyn Hoover, Junior Eschwein, Josephene Ummel, Claude Reynolds, Rosemary Wallace, Otis Sailor, Gladys Weaver. Sixth row-Royal Rock Joellen Metzler, Robert Cotz, Gloria Weaver, Dale Weldy, Fern Miller Lowell Null. Seventh row-Payetta Flory, Evelyn Tyson, Robert Kehr, Mary Ellen Weldy, Willard Kilmer Martha Tschupp, Wanita Nunemaker.

Absent when pictures were taken are: Elsie Bolman, Lowell Fink, Arlo High, Bonnie Holdebaum, Bette Housour, Carol Myers, Buddy Sechrist, Norma Jean Weldy, Doris Weldy.

CLASS DAY

Salutatory----------Doris Miller

Introduction of Seniors

Piano Solo----------Marilyn Moyer

Reading----------Helen Bolen

Class History----------Norma Letherman
Annabelle Housour

Sextet----------Lena Smeltzer, Nilah Penney, Mary Schrock
Joy Stiver Doris Miller, Mary Alice Long

Class Will----------Clair Hoover
Mary Schrock

Advice to Juniors----------Esther Pletcher
Phyllis Weaver

Clarinet Solo----------Wanda Hall

Class Prophecy----------Lloyd Searer
Norma Madlem

Valedictory----------Joy Stiver

Song By Class

FRESHMEN

President-Phyllis Christner
Vice President-Bob Frash
Secretary-John Hartman
Treasurer-Kenny Pletcher

First row-Nancy Myers, Richard Skilds, Maribelle Letherman, Robert Frash, Alice Amick. Second row-Mary Rose Yoder, Dean Doering, Dora Holmes, Phyllis Christner, Lloyd Truex, Lillian Smeltzer. Third row-Norman Zimmerman, Shirley Yoder, Robert Weaver, Jeanette Hunsberger, Dale Smith, Carolyn Shaum, John Hartman, Harriet Blosser. Fourth row-Mary Lou Ball, Kenneth Pletcher, Evelyn Hunsberger, Joyce Moyer, Carolyn Rohrer, Verl Belen, Melba Mumaw, Thomas Mattern. Fifth row-Bob Leonard, Esther Lechlitner, Dale Smeltzer, Patsy Chambers, Ivan Weldy, Maxine Copenhaver, Delbert Bemiller, Edna Wenger. Sexth row-Vera Morningstar, Stanley Kehr, June Myers, Paul Stauffer, Joan Stryoker, Dean Rohrer, Doris Ummel, Wilfred Gall. Seventh row-Dale Schwalm. Rita Miller, Bob Berkey, Mary Alice Overholser, Robert Smeltzer, Catherine Sauers, Richard Lamar Ferguson, Wilma Stickel. Eighth row-Flora Jane Lechlitner, Ray Hochstetler, Ruth Ummel, Ronald Truex, Rosalie Reichelt, Robert Hartman, Florence Ramer, Carl Pletcher.

Absent when pictures were taken were: Clyde Lechlitner, Norma Jean Myers, Richard Skiles, Dale Smith, Wilma Stickel, and Lloyd Truex.

COMMENCEMENT

Band——————————————School

Invocation——————————Rev. R. Edwin Green

Music——————————————Girls Choir
Lift Thine Eyes--Mendelssohn
Sanctus——————Gounod

Address——————————Samuel B. Wenger
Chaplin Michigan State Prison
Jackson, Michigan. Subject-"Chiseling"

Music——————————————Sextet
Jesus, Thou Art Mine Forever---Wohlfeil
Doris Ummel — Gayneil Stewart
Nancy Myers — Jeane Kemble
Gladys Weaver — Josephine Ummel

Presentation of Diplomas——————Ezra Hoover
Co. Supt. of Schools

Benediction——————————Rev. Gordon Kemble

Choral Benediction——————————Girls Choir

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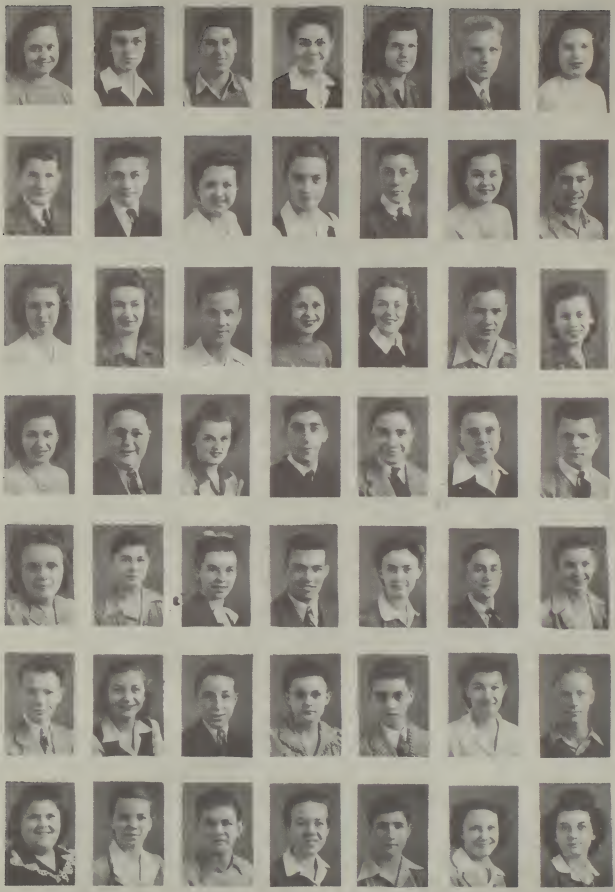

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17	Concord	Goshen	26	41
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Dec. 8	Jamestown	There	36	39
15	Madison	There	44	46
21	Bremen	Nappanee	38	51
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5	Concord	Here	30	35
6	Walkerton	There	46	41
12	New Paris	There	33	57
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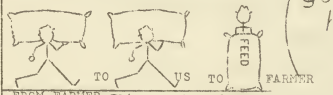

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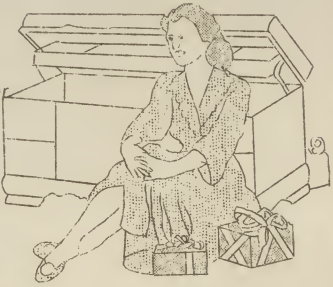

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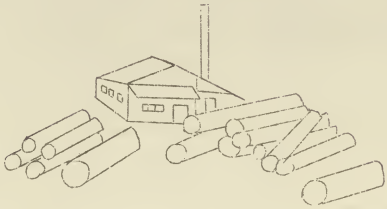

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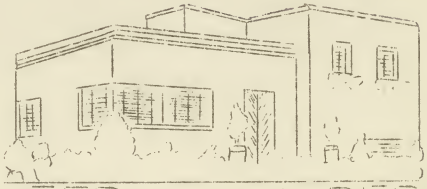

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